

KIMBALL, Heber Chase, instructor;  
b. Salt Lake City, Aug. 11, 1888; s.  
Solomon Farnham and Ursula (Pom-

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eroy) K.; father was a writer of pi-  
oneer history and mother was a tchr.;  
grad. L.D.S. High Sch., 1906; L.D.S.  
Coll., 1914; attnd. U. of U., 1906-07,  
1930-31, and summers 1923-26, also ex-  
ten. work; m. Pearl Smith, of S.L.C.,  
Mar. 29, 1909; c. Pearl Emma, Zola  
Helen, Marjorie, Virginia, Barbara  
and Betty (twins). Prin. grade sch.,  
Tooele Dist., 1908-13; asst. in credit  
dept., Underwood Typewriter Co.,  
1913-14; instr. L.D.S. Bus. Coll., 1914;  
instr. in bus., part time, U. of U.,  
1930—. Latter-day Saint; pres. Sev-  
enties, Ensign Stake. Hobby: hand-  
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LATTER-DAY SAINT  
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baptized in arrived in Great Salt Lake Valley in  
lder D. B. July, 1847, was born in 1824 in the  
2. He was parish of Ten, in Thelemarken, Nor-  
wil, 1844, at way, a daughter of Ysten Sondrasen.  
Pres. Jo- The family emigrated to America in  
a mission 1837, when Ellen was about thirteen  
after his years old, and located in Indiana. La-  
y with ter they moved to La Salle County,  
1847, Illinois, where Ellen joined the Church  
plant in 1842. She became the wife of He-  
nter ber C. Kimball in the Nauvoo Temple  
fall Jan. 7, 1846, shared in the toils and  
to vicissitudes of the saints in their exo-  
1 dus from Nauvoo and the perils of the  
journey across the plains. Sister Ellen  
S. Kimball and Hans Christian Hansen  
were the only Scandinavians in the  
original pioneer company. Sister Ellen  
became the mother of five children,  
three of whom died in infancy. She  
died Nov. 22, 1871, in Salt Lake City.  
(Bio. Ency., Vol. 2, p. 772.)

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converted all the young people in a congregation to whom he preached, and many of the older ones. In eleven months he himself had baptized fifteen hundred."<sup>1</sup>



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This love of the British people for their mission leader was not soon forgotten and evidenced itself again and again throughout the Church.

Those who first colonized the new lands of Provo Valley in 1859 and 1860 had come under the influence of Elder Kimball in Great Britain, and when it came time to find a permanent name for their new settlement, the choice was easily made—they would name it for their beloved leader, Brother Heber.

Time has proved that these early colonizers made a wise choice, for Heber C. Kimball became one of the stalwarts in the Church. While many of the early Church leaders in the pre-Utah period had become disappointed and disaffected, Heber C. Kimball never faltered in his defense of the truth. Through persecutions, illness, difficult financial straits and through the good times as well, Elder Kimball continued strong and true to the end. This same spirit of determination and steadfastness has also characterized Heber City, for through bad times as well as good, the community has stood as a bulwark in the valley and as a refuge for those who love the "good life."

The first settlers in the valley, as noted in previous chapters, planted

<sup>1</sup>John Henry Evans, *Joseph Smith, An American Prophet* (New York, The Macmillan Company, 1933, pages 99-100.)





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